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CONTRIBUTORS TO THE PRESS. e most familiar remarks to a Honolulu editor-or to an editor at matter, is this: "I have brought you something of interest to our society (or to my family, as the case may be) which I have just dashed off.

Fix it up way you please," whereupon the visitor hands over a manuscript

and deserts.

Ten chances to one the manuscript has little news-value and is expected to see product a favor to the donor. Yet as no favor to the editor, the man who "just mashed it off," did not try to save him from the drudgery of putting the manuscript into intelligible shape for the printer. To begin with the MS., is probably written on both sides, so it can not be cut up and divided into "takes" for several printers to set at once; again, it is probably full of abbreviations which have to be spelled out and of mispunctuation which has to be cut out; and as a matter of course its limited headline space is occupied by the author's idea of the sort of caption which would fit in print across the top according to a scale of letters and spaces of which he knows nothing. The result is an article which imposes upon the time and patience of the editor and probably, on that account, finds its way to the wastebasket.

When a layman writes anything for publication, especially when the theme concerns him or his friends more than the public at large, he owes enough consideration to the editor of whom he asks the favor of print, to draw up his manuscript according to the rules of the game. No editor wants anything that is "just dashed off." A man doesn't buy chairs that the carpenter has "just dashed off" or pictures that the painter has "just dashed off" nor a family horse that has "just dashed off;" and the editor is quite as conscious as the seeker of other commodities of what he does and does not want.

While an exception has to be made for news of great value, which must be published no matter the shape in which it comes, much legitimate news that would otherwise find space is excluded because the "dashing" process was used in its preparation. A few weeks ago, for example, this office received a report from a fraternal society about the annual installation of its officers, who were numerous. Not only was the report written on both sides of the sheet, but it was so deficient in commas, semicolons and periods that the copyreader could not tell whether the official lettering after the first name all belonged to that name or was part of the initials of the official coming nextand so on down. As it was too much trouble to investigate, the manuscript was thrown away and the news did not appear in type.

Another common fault of lay writers for the press is their lack of moral courage. They are prone to write censorious things which they will, under no circumstances sign for print. They want the editor, whose name is on the paper, to let it pass under his own signature; to take a responsibility the writer at interest shirks. Most editors will not become vicarious sacrifices of this kind; and no brave man would ask them to be,

We can not impress these rules too often upon the contributing public: Write on one side of the sheet; leave a margin at the top of the first page for the heading, which the editor prefers to write himself; write plainly and without abbreviations; print proper names; observe the simple rules of punctuation; sign your name, indicating whether or not you want it published and always say that you do if you are making charges or challenging debate.

And a footnote: If you typewrite your manuscript it will, other things being equal, stand the best chance of reaching the public.

FORTIFICATIONS.

The inference of the Advertiser that \$260,000 are available for fortifications in Hawaii is borne out by this merning's leading cablegram from Washington which conveys the further information that the Secretary of War has asked Congress to provide \$350,000 more, making \$610,000 in all. We have the \$260,000 now which, it is presumed, Captain Otwell will proceed to spend as soon as orders come from the department; and the influence of Secretary Taft should be sufficient to get the rest.

The Advertiser hears, from a Washington source, that Captain Otwell is a recognized expert in the building of fortifications and that his assignment here, in Captain Slattery's place, was made because the question of defenses will presently supersede, in importance to Hawaii, that of harbor improvement,

The original plan of the engineers, as published in these columns, was for a considerable chain of forts about Honolulu and one fort at Hilo. In the event of Hilo getting a breakwater, the program of defenses there would necessarily be enlarged. For Honolulu the plan contemplated was for a battery at Niu, the complete professional reticence of the engineer officer here and that of his chiefs at Washington, whether this extensive scheme has been altered; but we may easily infer, now that the Government shows that its military policy includes the defense of Honolulu, that the job will be thoroughly done.

THERE ARE OTHERS.

Speaking of the Congo inquiry proposed in Congress, we trust that the Belgian parliament will not conclude that "turn about is fair play" and demand an investigation of the manner in which the United States has administered its Indian problem. The story of the Congo atrocities is a harrowing ne, but not more so than the story told in Helen Hunt Jackson's "A Century of Dishoner." That the Belgians deal with the savage tribes of the Congo with an iron hand, we do not doubt; but as yet they have not taken all their lands, killed off their game, slaughtered half their numbers and confined the unhappy remnant on small reservations which they may not stray from without being nagged by eavalry and prodded back with bayonets.

We also cherish the hope that the Belgians will start no inquiry into the treatment of negroes in the southern States, especially as respects the number annually burned at the stake; also the number bung to the branches of trees without the preliminary trial which is supposed to mark the difference between barbarian and civilized practice in capital cases,

Our optimism also prompts the belief that the Belgian philanthropists, professional and otherwise, will ignore the recent affair in the Philippines where male, female and adolescent Pulijanes were slaughtered by machine guns in a crater where they had taken refuge from benevolent assimilation.

Doubtless the Belgians will let all these matters alone. They are much more accustomed, than our statesmen are, to mind their own business.

George Davis' bill to prevent the sale of adulterated liquors here will, if it becomes a law, give the people a double-barreled gun instead of a single barreled one with which to fight a growing abuse. The pure food law, lately enacted by Congress, provides for Federal prosecutions in such cases, but no one can be sure that the measure will be aggressively pushed. In that case or in any case, it would be well to have a Territorial law to fall back upon. While it is, perhaps, of no great consequence, whether hard drinkers get good liquor or bad, so much of alcoholic stimulant is used in medical practice and in the functions of an agreeable society that the question of its purity touches a multitude of people whose lives are worth preserving.

Four issues now remain in which the Advertiser will receive manuscripts bas the stage to himself. Temorrow a Latter Day Saint will be heard from and Father Beissel will, we understand, conclude his series on the Inquisition. Next Sunday morning the paper will, as we anticipate, be able to announce the amicable ending of the whole debate, with everybody believing just what they

SAARBRUCK, January 29.—The list of killed in the Reden here, and as we have been handling it for several years, we can confidently say that we sell more of it then we do of any other preparation of that kind."

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It will be hard luck if a British Governor has to lose his job because he didn't like to see a foreign admiral doing part of it.,

THE BASEBALL SITUATION. Honolulu baseball is experiencing such a shaking up as it has not had in

rears and the outlook for the game, on account of the increased interest engendered, is of the best. New blood is being introduced into the senior league and a general readjustment of forces all round is taking place.

It is satisfactory to notice that every effort is to be made to conduct the games on a purely amateur basis, as far as importing players is concerned. The town has talented amateurs to spare and a new crop is springing up all the time. It is the amateur player who packs the blenchers and the grandstand with a crowd of enthusiasts who are willing to pay every Saturday to see the boys they know play ball.

The minor leagues will send players to the big league this year and the more small leagues there are, the better for the game in Honolulu. The sandlot player of today is the big leaguer of next year or the year after. The changes in the senior league will have a healthy effect on the smaller organizations, especially if the Tenth Infantry and Rapid Transits are admitted, for it will show the youngsters that any nine that can put up a good enough article of ball has a chance to break into the charmed circle.

Lack of interest in the game on the part of some of the teams was, to large extent, responsible for the falling off in gate receipts last year. The listless methods of some of the nines disgusted the crowd and they got out of the habit of regular attendance at the ball-park. It is up to the teams this season to rectify this unfortunate state of affairs and if every nine in the eague will play the game for what they are worth in all their engagements, whether their chance of victory looks slim or rosy, the sport-loving public will accord them their presence at the games and their support.

It is hardly probable that there will be any Sunday baseball at the league park this year. The experiment was tried last season and it was a costly one, With the two successive days of baseball the result was that neither the senior or the winter league flourished as had been expected, the latter, in fact, having to face a financial loss at the close of the season.

THE CHURCH CONTROVERSY.

With its issue of Saturday, February 2, the Advertiser will cease to be the medium of the current religious or ecclesiastical discussion. This leaves five days in which the contestants may have their say, providing their demands upon the space of this journal do not become too exacting.

The rule thus laid down is made for several reasons. One is that a large part of the public is tiring of the theme. Another is that the debate is becoming less instructive and more combative and has already created a certain amount of bitterness among the people of this community. The final reason 1that the pressure of theology upon these columns has become so great as to exclude much of the news which it is the paper's business to supply.

The Advertiser permits itself to hope that, during the remainder of the week, nothing will be written to widen the breach which has, unfortunately, been made in the tolerant spirit that, for so many years, marked the mutual relations of Catholics and Protestants in these islands,

Several letters from the opposing contributors, including Father Beissel's egular insallment, will appear tomorrow. Sunday is a day of comparative rest.

"What became of that man you arrested as a horse-thief?" "Lynched," answered Piute Pete. "I suppose that ends the matter." "No. Some o' the boys had their doubts, so we're goin' to call some witnesses an' git evidence that he really were the guilty party."-Washington Star,

The Census Taker-Your name, mum? "I don't know." "Beg pardon, mum?" "I've been divorced. At present my name is Mrs. Jones in this State. In several States it is Miss Smith, my maiden name, and in three States it is Mrs. Brown, my first husband's name." "This your residence, mum?" "I eat and sleep here, but I have a trunk in a neighboring State, where I am getting a divorce from my present husband." "Then you're married at pres-"I'm married in Texas, New York and Massachusetts; divorced in South Dakota, Missouri, Alaska, Oklahoma, and California; a bigamist in three other States, and a single woman in eight others."-Chicago Tribune.

Hilo may be certain of its breakwater now that the sum of \$400,000 is to be devoted to it. As the money will figure in the next Congressional campaign for the Republican nomination, we wish to have it go on record, while the subject is fresh, that Delegate Kuhio had absolutely nothing to do with getting this appropriation. It had been made before he reached Washington and he merely reported to Hawaii, sometime after the Associated Press had done so, what action Congress had taken. Nevertheless he is certain to claim all the credit and ask for a third term on the strength of it. It will be well, therefore, for those who intend to oppose any more by-play with Kuhio, to keep the facts in mind for use a little less than two years from now.

It is the fashion in America to ridicule the Kaiser's lese-majeste ordinances, but the peculiar situation in Germany, touching socialism and anarchy, makes it politically necessary to guard against the seditious words that may suggest seditious deeds. As a matter of fact lese-majeste rules are applied, to some extent, in the protection of the American executive. That is to say, where anarchists or other professional disturbers of the peace publicly abuse the President, it is customary for the police to arrest them on any charge that comes

Mayor Schmitz, the labor demagogue who rules and robs San Francisco, lately said he was willing to "lay down his life in hattle with the Japanese ! one on the Kaimuki crest, another at Diamond Head, one on Waikiki beach, a Whereupon the Los Angeles Times remarked: "It is a notable fact that his mortar battery at Punchbowl, two forts commanding the entrance of Pearl Honor has never laid down anything of value. His promise, however, would Harbor, one defending inner approaches to Honolulu from the other side of almost reconcile any one to a war with Japan. His Honor has probably merely the island, not inclusive of a battery at the Pali. We can not say, owing to discovered some place in Japan that the extradition treaty doesn't cover, and is willing to go for that purpose."

> Speaking of fortifications, a subject which came prominently before the Merchants' Association yesterday, the files of this journal show that \$260,000 were appropriated by the previous Congress for the defenses of Honolulu. This sum, as was understood at the time, was not to be returned to the treasury-in case it could not be expended during the fiscal year. Perhaps it is still available. If so, the action of the House in striking out a further appropriation of \$100,000 is explicable.

> All the Washington correspondents think that some member of the President's official family will be the next Republican nominee for President. Perhaps they are right. But Governor Hughes of New York has begun an administration which promises him a steady growth in presidential stature and people who persistently look elsewhere may easily miss the main performer in the large arena.

> The religious controversy goes on this morning with unabated vigor. In the five days remaining, all hands are at liberty to turn in and have their say, but after Saturday the affairs of the world we know about will absorb the attention of these columns, leaving to the pulpit its natural monopoly of theological speculations. This, however, will not preclude the Advertiser from making full reports of any joint debate into which the able disputants may choose to enter.

> As a friend of the Secretary of the Territory, the Advertiser suggests to him the wisdom of keeping out of the police muss. He is too near Mr. Brown to be credited with impartial motives in that matter. The Sheriff does not intend, directly or indirectly, to let the old police administration run the new one, and in this policy the majority of Oahu county voters stand by him.

It would be interesting to know how much of the Te Deum sung in Rome on Saturday was intended to be in honor of the German Kaiser and how much as a snub to the French government.

MANY PRUSSIAN MINERS KILLED BY FIREDAMP

(Associated Press Cablegram.)

The accident in this German mine yesterday was due to an explosion of The accident in this German mine yesterday was due to an explosion of ed for coughs, colds, croup and whoop-gas, the resulting firedamp accounting for the large number of dead. For a ing cough, and can be given to the little time after the explosion four hundred of the miners were entombed through a by Benson, Smith & Co., Ltd., agents cave in of the workings.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

(From Sunday's Advertiser)
Miss Glies, a nurse at the Queen's
Hospital, was severely injured by being thrown from a horse at Fort and Merchant streets yesterday morning. She was taken to the hospital.

Harry J. Auld, president of the Kamehameha Alumni Association, requests that the alumni of Kamehameha meet at the Kamehameha Schools chapel at 10:30 o'clock to attend the services in honor of the eighty-fifth Bishop. Seats will be reserved for the alumni and it is desired that the mem-bers attend in a body.

Carl Widemann was attacked at Paauhau last week by a gang of Japanese laborers working on the Hamakus ditch, over whom he was luna and whom he had offended by refusal to accept certain work. him with hoes and clubs, badly wounding and leaving him unconscious. Dr Buffet attended Widemann at Mana Thirty-five Japanese have been arrested.

A cablegram from Dr. L. E. Cofer was received by Dr. George Herbert yesterday, announcing the death of Mrs. Cofer in New York City. ultimate cause was pneumonia, Mrs Cofer having been alling for months She had undergone many operations On her last departure for New York she was accompanied by Dr. Cofer. who is chief quarantine officer here and their daughter.

An excellent poem called "Oahu, Where Beauty Sleeps" has been re-ceived and will be published Sunday. San Francisco quotations of suga stocks on January 18 were: H. C. O S. Co., 81 1-4; Honokaa, 10 7-8 and 11; Hutchison, 15 1-4 and 15 3-8; Kliauea, 3; Makaweli, 32; Onomea, 37 1-4 and 38; Paauhau, 16 and 16 1-2; Union, 50 Clinton J. Hutchins was sent for yes-

terday morning by Governor Carter, who offered him the vacant seat on the Board of Commissioners of Public In-struction. He accepted the commission and in the afternoon attended the reg-ular meeting of the board.

Governor Carter called Yesterday af-ternoon, at the Moana Hotel, on Mrs Halliday of New Orleans, who have letters of introduction to him from Governor Blanchard and U. S. Senator McEnery of Louisiana. The ladier presented their letters to the Governor at the Capitol in the morning

IMPORTANT QUESTION IN CAMPBELL WILI

There was a long argument over the Campbell will case yesterday before Judge Lindsay, who took the matter under advisement with the promise of a decision this week. It came up on a demurrer presented by E. M. Watson, attorney for the Kawananakoa heirs, to a petition of the other heirs to have a date appointed for closing the administration and leaving the estate in the hands of the trustees under the terms of the will. Messrs. Dunne, Robertson, Holmes, Stanley, Peterson and Peters took more or less part, re spectively, in the argument.

The point at issue was left open by the Supreme Court in its recent con struction of James Campbell's will and it will probably go back to that cour for decision. It is important from its involving the question of whether o the surplus income of the estate should be added to the capital as it acthe trust estate begins.

LATE MRS. PIIANAIA RELATED TO ROYALTY *23.1275 paid. †3 per cent. paid. session sales.

The members of the Ahahui Kaahumanu are requested to attend the funeral of the late Sister Fanny Malulani Pilanaia, this Tuesday, at 2:30 o'clock p. m., from the J. H. Townsend Undertaking Parlors, on Alakea street. Deceased was a cousin of the late Queen Emma.

Mrs. Piianaia died of consumption yesterday morning, having been ill over six months. With her husband, A. St. C. Piianaia, she leaves four young children and many relatives.

A DIRTY TENEMENT CLEANED.

If any of the roomers in the Magoon block, in Kakaako, are away from their home today and will stay away for a couple of days longer they will not be able to recognize the spot when they get back. Hot water and soap, which has long been a stranger to Magoonites, is being used there in plenty just now, the Board of Health having issued orders that the place must be scrubbed out at any cost and stationed inspectors there to see that the order is carried out. Yesterday the top crust was soaked and scraped off and it is expected that in some spots the floor will be reached before night. Some of the tenements in Palama have been similarly treated by the Board of Health authorities.

SPEAKS WELL OF CHAMBER-LAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

Mr. John Main, Manager for P. J. Pe tersen & Company, Bloemfontein, So Africa, makes the following statement for the benefit of the public: "Cham for Hawall,

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